

-- 7. (Twice Amended) The skin attachment member of claim 19 wherein the retention barb of each of said plurality of skin penetrating elements is located about 0.008 to 0.0095 inch (0.2 to 0.24 mm) along a length of the skin penetrating element from the backing. --

-- 8. (Twice Amended) The skin attachment member of claim 19 wherein the retention barb of each of said plurality of said skin penetrating elements has a length of about 0.0001 inch (0.003 mm). --

-- 9. (Twice Amended) The skin attachment member of claim 19 wherein the retention barb of each of said plurality of skin penetrating elements tapers from a thickness of about 0.0001 inch (0.0003 mm) to a point at an angle of about 72 degrees. --

-- 10. (Twice Amended) The skin attachment member of claim 19 wherein each of said plurality of skin penetrating elements includes two of said barbs. --

-- 11. (Twice Amended) The skin attachment member of claim 19 having a density of about 400 skin penetrating elements in a 0.1 inch² (65 mm²) area. --

-- 12. (Twice Amended) The skin attachment member of claim 19 wherein the skin penetrating elements are spaced apart from each other a distance of about 0.003 inch (0.08 mm). --

-- 13. (Amended) The skin attachment member of claim 19 formed from nylon.--

-- 14. (Amended) The skin attachment member of claim 19 formed from polyethylene teraphthalate.--

-- 15. (Amended) The skin attachment member of claim 19 formed from polyester.--

-- 16. (Twice Amended) The skin attachment member of claim 19 wherein the sheet-form backing and the skin penetrating elements, including each barb, are molded integrally of a single plastic resin. --

-- 17. (Twice Amended) The skin attachment member of claim 19 wherein a plurality of the skin penetrating elements each define a groove in said outer side surface.-

-- 18. (Twice Amended) The skin attachment member of claim 19 wherein the skin penetrating elements are oriented perpendicular to the backing. --

-- 19. (Amended) A skin attachment member of plastic resin, comprising:
a sheet-form backing, and
an array of skin penetrating elements extending integrally from the backing to a tip, the skin penetrating elements being shaped and arranged to penetrate into the epidermal skin layer and sized to limit painful contact with nerves below the epidermal skin layer,

a plurality of the skin penetrating elements each including a retention barb extending from an outer side surface of the skin penetrating element and shaped and arranged to cooperate to resist removal of the skin attachment member from skin,

wherein said array of skin penetrating elements, including each retention barb, is molded integrally from a single plastic resin. --

-- 20. (Amended) The skin attachment member of claim 18 wherein each skin penetrating element intersects said sheet form backing to define a base and each skin penetrating element tapers continuously from said base to said tip. --

-- 21. (Once Amended) The skin attachment member of claim 10 wherein said two barbs of each of said plurality of skin penetrating elements are disposed at different distances from said sheet-form backing. --

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-- 22. (Amended) The skin attachment member of claim 19 wherein said barb of each of said plurality of skin penetrating elements defines a half-pyramid shape. --